### PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION—DEPART-MENT OF DEFENSE FOR CIVIL FUNCTIONS

#### COMMUNICATION

# THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

A PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE DEPART-MENT OF DEFENSE FOR CIVIL FUNCTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY, FISCAL YEAR 1953, AMOUNTING TO \$3,000,000, IN THE FORM OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE BUDGET

JUNE 18 (legislative day, JUNE 10), 1952.—Read; referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed

> THE WHITE HOUSE. Washington, June 18, 1952.

The President of the Senate.

Sir: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of the Congress a proposed supplemental appropriation for the fiscal year 1953, in the amount of \$3,000,000, for the Department of Defense for Civil Functions, Department of the Army, in the form of an amendment to the budget for said fiscal year.

The details of this proposed appropriation, the necessity therefor, and the reasons for its submission at this time are set forth in the attached letter from the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, with whose comments and observations thereon I concur.

Respectfully yours,

HARRY S. TRUMAN.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT, Bureau of the Budger,
Washington 25, D. C., June 18, 1952.

The PRESIDENT. The White House.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration a proposed supplemental appropriation for the fiscal year 1953, in the amount of \$3,000,000, for the Department of Defense for Civil Functions, Department of the Army, in the form of an amendment to the budget for said fiscal year, as follows:

#### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

## CIVIL FUNCTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

#### RIVERS AND HARBORS AND FLOOD CONTROL

#### FLOOD CONTROL

Budget	Heading	Original estimate	Change to—	Increase
704	Flood control, general	\$300, 795, 000	\$316, 445, 000	\$15, 650, 000

The increase of \$12,650,000 contained in my letter of May 27, 1952 (S. Doc. 137, 82d Cong.), was for initation of construction on 11 high-priority projects which will provide flood protection to highly developed urban areas. The further additional sum of \$3,000,000 is necessary to initiate construction of Table Rock Reservoir, Ark. and Mo.

It is essential that construction of Table Rock Reservoir be initiated in fiscal year 1953 in order that forecasted power requirements of public bodies in the area may be met. The urgency for early construction of the project is emphasized by the fact that the Southwestern Power Administration has recently entered into a contract to furnish electric power to a new aluminum plant to be constructed in Arkansas. This power, which will be generated at dams now being completed by the Corps of Engineers, otherwise would have been available to REA cooperatives, municipalities, and other preference customers under the law.

In addition to the initial installation of two 42,000-kilowatt generating units at the Table Rock site, the project will increase the dependable capacity of the federally constructed Bull Shoals Reservoir by 44,000 kilowatts at no additional cost, and will also substantially increase the power available at the privately constructed Ozark Beach plant.

Table Rock Reservoir, together with Bull Shoals Reservoir, will furnish positive flood protection to a considerable area along the White River against a recurrence of the flood of record.

The urgency for starting Table Rock Reservoir had not developed at the time the 1953 budget was submitted. Plans are now at the stage where contracts for major integral units of the work can be let in fiscal year 1953.

I recommend that the foregoing proposed supplemental appropriation be transmitted to the Congress.

Respectfully yours.

ELMER B. STAATS,
Acting Director of the Bureau of the Budget.